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AND METHOD, INFORMATION REPRODUCTION DEVICE AND METHOD,
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COMPUTER PROGRAM, AND DATA STRUCTURE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, included with the attached Form PTO-1449 are copies of the listed references, which are hereby made of record in the present application.

An English language abstract is provided for each of the accompanying documents, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation of their relevance.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of an action on the merits; therefore, no fee is required. The Examiner is courteously requested to initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to confirm receipt and consideration of the enclosed references.

Respectfully submitted,

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